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FLOWERING SHRUBS

SPRING - 1933

Special List of Rare and Unusual Plants at Attractive Prices

A. M. LEONARD & SON

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Tree Spirea (Sorbaria aitchisoni) showing the graceful foliage and the filmy masses of flowers which resemble very much those of the herbaceous Astible. See Page 8.

WORTHWHILE PLANTS FOR SPRING 1933

You may read this Booklet through from cover to cover, but if you do not order from it you will never experience the thrill of seeing the Beauty of Leonard's "Worthwhile Shrubs" in Your Own Garden.

Terms of Payment. Strictly cash with order; send Dollar Bills for amounts less than ten dollars if you wish. Remember that you are dealing with an old-established, well-rated firm.

F. O. B. Piqua Section—Pages 2 to 6, and 19 to 24 (with minor exceptions). Here we offer our extra heavy grade plants, bushy and well rooted for immediate effect. If you do not care to wait for results you will be more than justified in ordering these large, generous plants. Shipment will be made by Express Collect, or freight if weather permits or not too late in the season.

Postpaid Section—Pages 7 to 18. Our Postpaid Greenback Specials were so popular last Fall that we have reserved the entire twelve center pages for this section, with the added feature of the Bargain Basement. This offer is limited to the 4th Zone, and for orders amounting to \$2.00 or more.

The 4th Zone includes most or all of New York, Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Delaware, Maryland, the Carolinas, Georgia, Alabama, Mississippi, Arkansas, Missouri, Iowa, and Wisconsin; the following cities are just inside; Springfield (Mass.), Hartford, Hot Springs, Topeka, Omaha, Minneapolis and Duluth.

Mixed Orders. If part of your order if for the larger plants sold F. O. B. Piqua, or if you live beyond the 4th Zone, you have the option of:

- (1) Larger size plants from Postpaid Section, you paying the transportation, or
- (2) Additional plants to the amount of postage to the 4th Zone, and you paying the transportation, or
- (3) Adding to your remittance for the estimated postage beyond the 4th Zone (we will refund any difference).

As our Traffic Department can check lowest delivery cost we shall always follow your desires in this matter and to your entire satisfaction.



Improved Purple leaved Plum; the size plants we offer will be dug directly from this block.

(Prunus cerasifera pissardi nigra)

5 to 6 ft. Plants as illustrated \$1.15 each,

F. O. B. Piqua

ORDER AT ONCE

As the supply of many rare plants offered in this Booklet is limited we cannot urge too strongly ordering at once to avoid disappointment. The "mild spells" of winter permit us to dig and ship safely almost any time, especially to our Southern customers. So few people realize that plants can be set out whenever the temperature is above freezing (32° Fahr.) and there is not too heavy a crust of frozen ground.

Price Policy. "Worthwhile Plants" have never been in over-supply, and despite the new upward price trend due to the swing from over-proproduction to under-production we are "carrying on" at our former low prices, thus stimulating sales and enabling us to maintain our loyal co-workers in the necessities of life.

And these unsolicited letters tell the rest of the story:

Colorado—"I have yet in the 13 years I have been making my garden to receive such fine plants."

Penna—"The first order for plants I sent you arrived in perfect condition. They are truly better plants, (and) I am more than pleased with them."



TREE SHAPED OR STANDARD WISTERIA

The ever popular Wisteria is now available as "Standards" (see illustration) which are used as accents in the garden, or at the corners of a garden terrace. As much time and perseverance are necessary to bring these rare plants to the point where we ship them to you, they will never be "cheap".

These Standard Wisterias are grafted from blooming plants, so that they are sure to bloom and be

true to color (should bloom first year if planted Slender stakes must be placed to keep the trunk upright until strong enough to be self-supporting.

Though we are shipping larger plants this year, and the supply is limited, we have not changed the price on the pink and white varieties. Branches start about 4 ft. from the ground; orders for 2 or more will be matched so far as possible.

Pink Japanese Wisteria (Wisteria multijuga rosea).

Beautiful long pink clusters; a new color and our personal choice.

The gracefully suspended flowers of

the Japanese Wisteria

White Japanese Wisteria (W. multijuga alba).
Silky Wisteria (W. venusta). Glistening white flowers.
Mrs. McCullough. Compact clusters of medium size; rich mauve-purple.

Plants, \$8.75 each; 3 or more at \$7.75; 6 or more at \$7.30 each F. O. B. Piqua

Double Violet Japanese Wisteria (W. mult. violacea plena). Very scarce. Longcluster Wisteria (W. multijuga longissima) New for 1933.

Produces astonishingly long clusters of light purple flowers; on an established Standard these flowers will measure 3 to 4 ft. in length.

Plants (Double Violet and Longcluster), \$9.75 each, F. O. B. Piqua NOTE—Japanese Wisteria (multijuga) are hardier than the Chinese (sinensis) and bloom a little later, without the danger of a late frost nipping the buds.

FRAGRANT SNOWBELL

(Styrax obassia)

This rare Japanese plant has flowers of purest white, arranged in racemes 4 to 6 in. long, and blossoming early in June; anthers are clear yellow. The bold foliage (leaves are 5 to 9 in. long, and nearly as broad), dark green above and silver gray beneath, alone makes this an outstanding novelty in any garden or shrub border; but its fragrant, pendant-like flowers make it indispensable. Grows into a shapely specimen, as high as 18 ft. in Boston, where it is absolutely hardy.

2 to 3 ft. Plants, dug with ball of earth, \$1.85 each, F. O. B. Piqua



A glimpse of Fragrant Snowbell, the new Japanese wonder plant

CORNELIAN CHERRY

(Cornus mas)

There are so many good points to this worthwhile shrub or small tree, that we will enumerate them in simple fashion.

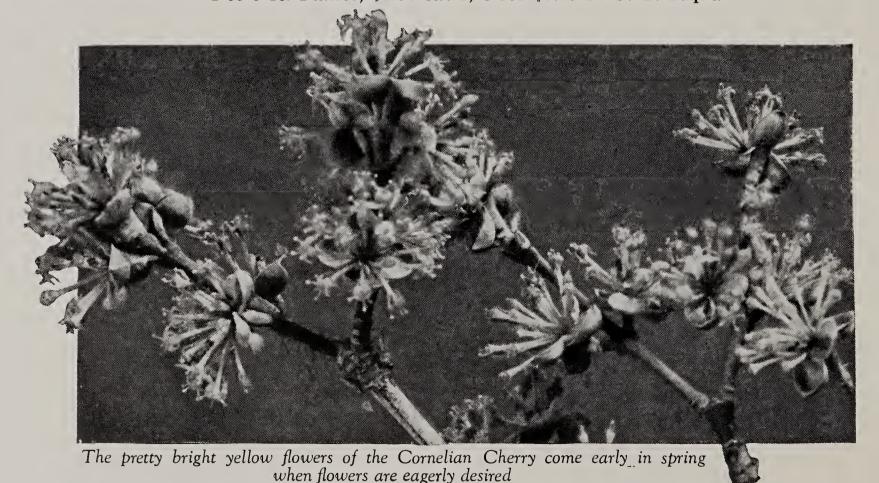
. Yellow flowers in March or early April, almost before the snow has left, and before the glossy-green leaves appear.

Blossoms are not injured by late frosts.
 Grows in the shade as well as in the sun.

4. Thrives in the smoky atmosphere of cities.

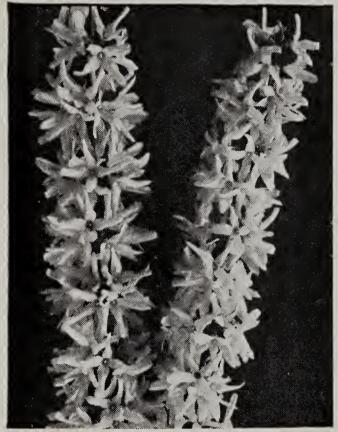
5. Has been off the market for over ten years—a plant which will never become common. Cornelian Cherry attains in time a height of 10 to 20 ft. It is useful as a screening shrub, makes a handsome accent plant on the lawn, or, if planted in a group, makes a fine background for the garden.

3 to 4 ft. Plants, \$1.00 each; 3 for \$2.50 F. O. B. Piqua 4 to 5 ft. Plants, \$1.50 each; 3 for \$3.75 F. O. B. Piqua



BRILLIANT GOLDEN-BELL

Forsythia intermedia spectabilis



Spectabilis packs its flowers densely along the branches



Spectabilis is much more free-flowering than other Forsythias

Brilliant Golden-bell

(Forsythia intermedia spectabilis).

This is the **upright** type that cheers you on those cloudy April days—not the undesirable weeping Forsythia; no Garden is complete without

several of these gorgeous plants. In the South the Forsythia is known as "Hurls of Spring", surely a suitable name for this forerunner of Spring flowering shrubs.

Our plants give immediate effect; like all Leonard plants they were wintered in the field and are dug fresh for your order.

2 to 3 ft. Plants, special mailing size, Two for \$1.00 Postpaid

3 to 4 ft. Plants, extra heavy, \$0.50 each; 3 for \$1.35 F. O. B. Piqua

4 to 5 ft. Plants, extra heavy, \$0.75 each; 3 for \$2.00 F. O. B. Piqua

6 to 8 ft. Plants, extra heavy, \$1.50 each; 3 for \$4.00 F. O. B. Piqua

Caution: This excellent Forsythia cannot be secured in Department Stores; one of our plants is equal in size to six ordinary plants.

A NEW RED-LEAVED JAPANESE MAPLE

(Acer palmatum Variety—Oshiu-beni).

Deep maroon leaves more deeply cut and smaller than the well known Blood-leaf Japanese Maple. Oshiu-beni retains its color through the season much better than many other red-leaved varieties.

Everyone wants one or more of these brilliant colored foliage plants; often used in large Rock Gardens to give a high color note, being a dwarf tree seldom growing over 5 ft. high. Best set out in the Spring.

12 to 18 in. Plants dug with earth, \$2.00 each, F. O. B. Piqua 18 to 24 in. Plants dug with earth, \$2.50 each, F. O. B. Piqua

"BIRD ATTRACTORS" No. 5

As encores to popular request we are featuring two new Bird Attractors, very reasonably priced. Other shrubs listed in this Booklet which attract birds because of their fruits or berries are: Flowering Crabs, Beach Plum, Coral Dogwood, Cornelian Cherry, Honeysuckle (mundeniensis), Russian-olive, Shadblow, and Yeddo Euonymus.

Two—Tall-bush Bittersweet (Euonymus europaeus).	
See illustration on opposite page. 3 to 4 ft. Extra Heavy	\$2.00
Two—Wayfaring Tree (Viburnum lantana).	
See illustration on page 22. 3 ft. Plants, Broad and Heavy	1.30
Two—Autumn Oleaster (Elaeagnus umbellata).	
See illustration below. 4 to 5 ft. Plants	1.70
Two Plants of each; Six Plants in All	\$5.00

A \$5.00 value for \$3.95, F. O. B. Piqua

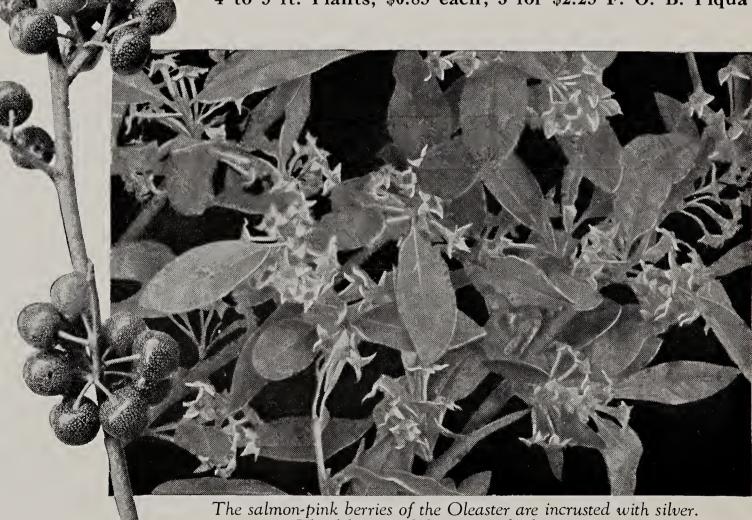
AUTUMN OLEASTER

(Elaeagnus umbellata)

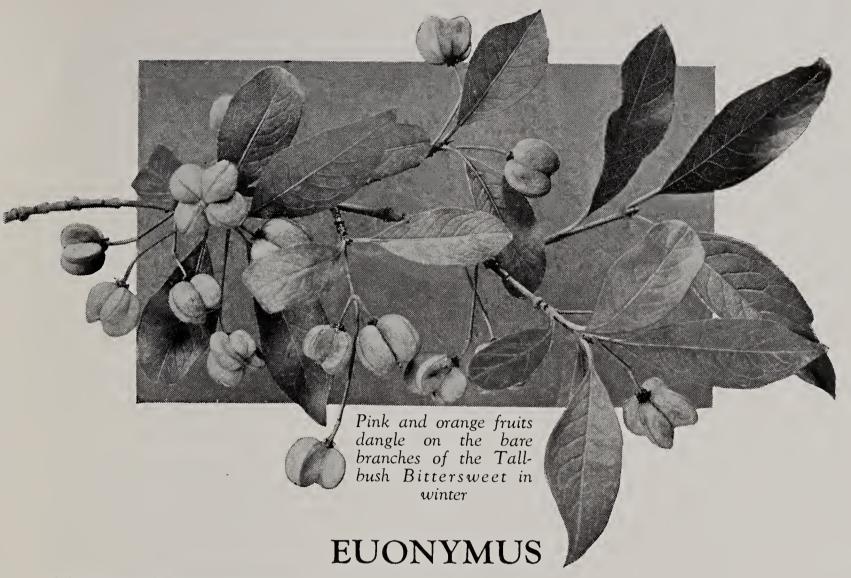
If the birds had their way they would call this their "Christmas Dinner"; they will strip the berries off of this plant at Christmas time, and you will enjoy watching them feed. The grayish green leaves look as if they had been coated with aluminum dust.

This is a shrub that can be planted and forgotten, as it "fixes" nitrogen from the air by means of nodules on its roots and is therefore able to flourish by means of its own labor without troublesome fertilizing of the soil. It enjoys full sunlight and will grow 8 to 10 ft. high. As it does not spread much, it can easily be inserted in the background of other shrubs. Grows well in sandy as well as clay soil, and resists drought.

4 to 5 ft. Plants, \$0.85 each; 3 for \$2.25 F. O. B. Piqua



The foliage and flowers are both attractive



Tall-bush Bittersweet (Euonymus europaeus).

A selected type for heavy fruiting qualities; the fruits are very similar to those of the Bittersweet Vine and borne in great profusion. It is a tall, narrow bush with handsome deep green foliage; attains a height of 8 to 10 ft., and thrives in shade or sun.

1½ to 2 ft. Plants, \$0.60 each; 3 for \$1.50 Postpaid 2 to 3 ft. Plants, \$0.85 each; 3 for \$2.00 Postpaid 3 to 4 ft. Plants, \$1.00 each; 3 for \$2.75 Postpaid

(Plants one foot higher than ordered will be furnished if you pay transportation).

Cork-barked Euonymus (E. alatus).

The twigs are adorned by broad wings of corky-bark, most unusual and decorative, especially in winter. In the fall it is illuminated by baby lantern-like berries, and by October the leaves have turned to a gorgeous crimson-red.

18 to 24 in. bushy Plants, \$0.75 each; 3 for \$1.85 Postpaid Taller plants, 3 to 4 ft., \$1.00 each; 3 for \$2.75 Postpaid

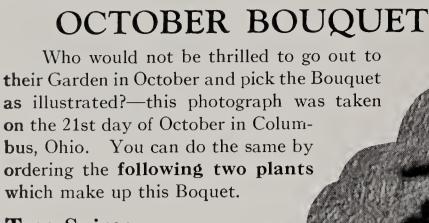
Yeddo Euonymus (E. yedoensis).

A new shrub of fine character that is adaptable to almost any soil. The foliage takes on a particular brilliance in autumn, and as the season advances the fruits burst open, displaying scarlet berries against pink husks.

Strong 2½ to 3 ft. Plants, \$1.00 each; 2 for \$1.85 Postpaid

"BIRD ATTRACTORS" No. 6

One–	—Rosemary Willow (Salix rosmarinfolia). An attractive, slow growing bush Willow (not necessary to plant near water) with grayish, dense foliage, affording an ideal bird retreat, especially on a windy day. 2 to 3 ft. Plant, very bushy	7
One–	-Red-leaved Rose (Rosa rubrifolia). Slender purplish branches which become spangled with tiny, vivid pink flowers, and followed by red fruit. 2 to 3 ft. Plant	.75
One–	-Autumn Oleaster (Elaeagnus umbellata). 4 to 5 ft. Plant	85
One–	- Tall-bush Bittersweet (Euonymus europaeus). 2 to 3 ft	85
	Four Plants in All—A \$3.20 value for \$2.50 Postpaid	\$3.20



Tree Spirea

(Sorbaria aitchisoni).

Also see illustration on front cover. Blossoms first year, and when established it will bloom from mid-July until late October; the blossoms produced in season are often six times as large as those shown in the Bouquet photograph.

The late Dr. E. H. Wilson says in "Garden Magazine" of August, 1915—"From the extreme northwestern Himalayas came Sorbaria aitchisoni with smooth shoots and pale green leaves, and even larger masses of flowers than the preceding (Sorbaria arborea) which it resembles in size and habit."



Glossy Autumnberry (Ligustrum vulgaris).

One of our very best shrubs for dry, shady locations—even likes tree roots. Makes a tall, fairly narrow shrub; can be used as an accent on either side of your front steps (in the foundation planting); it never disappoints. Though the numerous panicles of small, white flowers are very effective, we cherish the Autumnberry for its glossy, jet-black berries which are borne in such prodigious clusters. It retains its deep green leaves until after December 1st.

One "October Bouquet" (2 plants) 2 to 3 ft., \$1.00; 3 to 4 ft. \$1.25 Postpaid Four "October Bouquet" (8 plants) 2 to 3 ft., \$3.00; 3 to 4 ft., \$3.75 Postpaid

SUMMER-PLUMES (Spiraea richmensis).

The feathery plumes of dark pink flowers are larger than Douglas Spirea, and lend an air of naturalistic grace in shrubbery borders. Blooms during July, August, and September, when it always attracts the attention of visitors in our Nurseries. Grows 3 to 5 ft. high.

2 to 3 ft. Plants, \$0.65 each, Postpaid

3 to 4 ft. Plants, Extra Heavy, \$0.85 each, F. O. B. Piqua

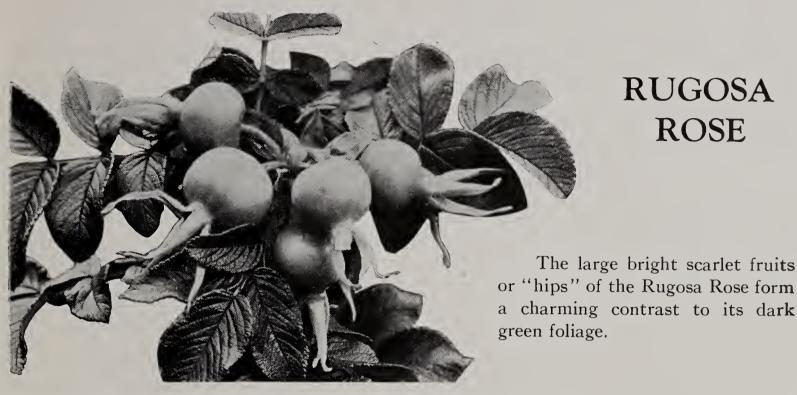
KOREAN SPIREA (Spiraea trichocarpa).

Another new introduction, in this case resembling Bridal Wreath (S. van houttei); the flowers are larger, in clusters which at a distance might be taken for phlox. Blooms shortly after Bridal Wreath.

2 to 3 ft. Plants, \$0.65 each, Postpaid

BASEMENT BARGAIN. Japanese Flowering Quince (Cydonia), Mixed Hybrids. In our experimental grounds we have an interesting block of these in mixed colors, mostly shades of pink and red, and hardly two alike. Last year we cut out any inferior plants; you may get something quite rare.

18 to 24 in. Plants, \$0.65 each; 2 to 3 ft. Plants, \$0.85 each, Postpaid



Rugosa Rose (Rosa rugosa).

These handsome fruits begin to appear in August and last until midwinter. And yes, indeed, it has pretty blossoms too; large single flowers of soft, crepe-like texture, fragrant and rather fleeting. The color varies through shades of pink, magenta, and rosy-crimson; blooms very early and continues until Autumn. Plant it among the shrubbery, as a hedge, or as a specimen plant. Very hardy, needing no protection.

18 to 24 in. Plants, Two for \$0.75 Postpaid

18 to 24 in. Plants, Two for \$0.75 Postpaid 2 to 3 ft. Plants, \$0.50 each, or Three for \$1.25 Postpaid

Shadbush or Shadblow (Amelanchier canadensis).

The April landscape would be drab indeed without the Shadblows. The slender branchlets of delicate tracery are wreathed in the snowy-whiteness of the blooms. The leaves, unfolding at the same time, are usually clothed with a white floss of hairs, heightening the floral effect of this very hardy, tree-like shrub.

Two light 12 to 18 in. Plants for \$0.60 Postpaid One Extra Heavy 5 to 6 ft. Plant, \$1.25; or Two for \$2.00 F. O. B. Piqua

WHITE FRINGE

(Chionanthus virginica).

Make your Garden distinctive by planting this easy-to-grow tree-like shrub. The white, fringe-like blossoms literally cover the whole bush at the time your Tall Bearded Iris are blooming, forming an exquisite background for their lavender and purple coloring. Not affected by insects or diseases; grows to 12 ft., and prefers acid soil.

Slender Plants,

 $1\frac{1}{2}$ to 2 ft., at \$0.75 each

2 to 3 ft., at \$1.00 each

Bushy Plants,

2 to 3 ft., at \$1.40 each

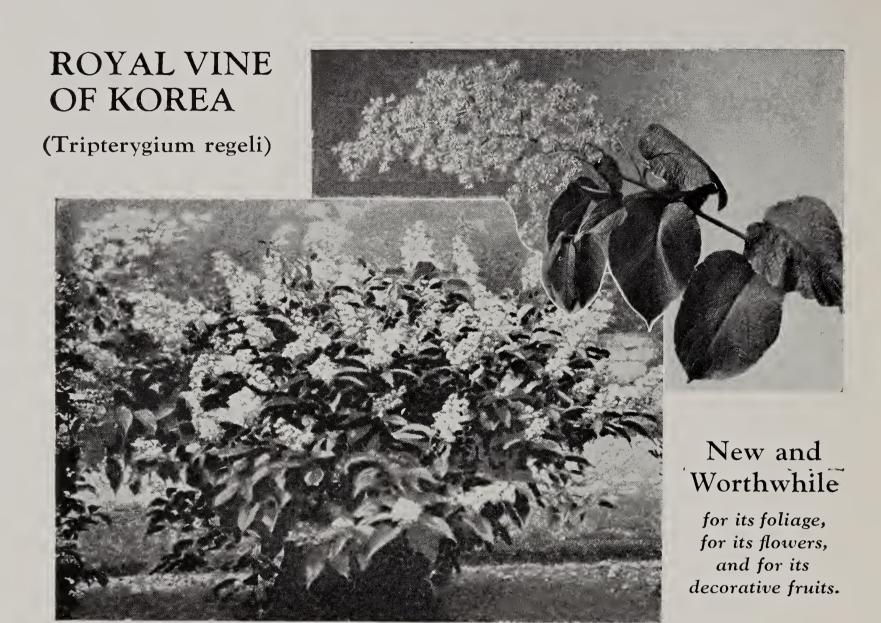
3 to 4 ft., at \$1.85 each

All Postpaid



White Fringe is a show unto itself as a lawn specimen

BASEMENT BARGAIN. Shrubby St. John's-wort (Hypericum prolificum). A very delicately branched shrub thickly set with bright yellow flowers in August. Perennials will grow close to it; plant it in your Hardy Garden. Blooms first year; grows 3 to 4 ft. high, and thrives in shade or sun.



The late E. H. Wilson in his "America's Greatest Garden" states— "(we) may well close with mention of the new and rare Tripterygium regeli. This is a beautiful vine with long, red-brown, prominently spotted stems, broad, bright green, wrinkled leaves and large terminal clusters of small white flowers which are followed by white bladder-like fruits which, changing in color to pinkish and brown, are long retained. It is perfectly distinct in appearance of shoot, foliage, flower and fruit from any other vine and when properly known will become a favorite in American Gardens."

This rare plant (native of Korea) is by all means our finest introduction in many years, and which for the past ten years has been the sensation at such famous arboretums as Arnold and Highland Park (Rochester). By pinching back the tips it may be used as a specimen shrub, or with the assistance of a few wires it will grow 8 or 10 feet tall; its twining stems readily cling to its supports. Flowers appear early in July, 8 to 18 inches in length. In Boston this plant has never suffered winter injury nor from attacks of fungus or insect pests.

We are fortunate in being able to offer two sizes of the Royal Vine of Korea this season at these very reasonable prices; via:

12 to 18 in. Plants, \$1.45 each; 3 for \$3.75 Postpaid 18 to 24 in. Plants, \$1.85 each; 3 for \$5.00 Postpaid

BLUE WISTERIA, Climbing (Chinese, W. sinensis).

The blossoms are borne in profusion. These vines have 2 to 3 ft. tops and bloomed last year; grown from cuttings (not to be confused with cheap seedlings which often do not bloom at all.) One Plant for \$1.00; Two for \$1.70 Postpaid.

PINK WISTERIA, Grafted (Japanese, W. multijuga rosea).

These rare Pink Wisterias were grafted the Spring of 1928, and can be kept in bush form if desired. Bushy Plants, \$1.75 each; Two for \$3.00 Postpaid.

BASEMENT BARGAIN. Russian-olive (Elaeagnus angustifolia). The wild Olive of the Greek Authors. Upright, narrow growth to 15 ft., or can be kept at most any height by pruning. The silvery-gray foliage lightens up dark masses, and the fragrant inconspicuous pale yellow blooms attract droves of butterflies.

2 to 3 ft. Plants, \$0.45 each; 3 to 4 ft., \$0.65 each Postpaid.

CLIMBING HYDRANGEA

(Schizophragma hydrangeoides)

A Japanese climbing vine, annually giving off fresh sets of roots along its branches, by means of which it clings to brick, stone, stucco, and even wooden walls. Flowers freely on the short, non-clinging branches about July 1st. Hardy in Boston; plant in a sunny location. Though still rare we are pricing this excellent vine at a very close price.

Plants, out of 4 in. pots, \$0.85 each; 2 for \$1.50 Postpaid

CHINESE FLEECEVINE

(Polygonum auberti)

This outstanding vine of the last decade is still unknown to so many that we ask "Why not have more Polygonum auberti?" Like true Gardeners we want to pass a good thing along. The many good points to be said of this vine are:

- 1. If set out in the Spring it will bloom the first year, paying for itself in the first season's enjoyment.
- 2. Though it blooms intermittently throughout the season, its heaviest blossom harvest is in the month of September, when it is a sight to behold. The seed pods are also showy throughout October.
- 3. The delicate silvery white flowers resemble "fleece"—hence its name.
- 4. A luxuriant vine; the deep green foliage completely covers all framework, and even more so when in bloom.
- 5. A clean vine; no dead leaves hanging on in winter, or shaggy bark to collect dirt. And does not rust, mildew, or blight.
- 6. Thrives where it receives sun only half of the day, and in down-town city atmosphere.
- 7. A very rapid, though not coarse grower.

Strong 2 year Plants, \$0.75 each, 3 for \$1.75 Postpaid



Here you can see the Chinese Fleecevine for yourself

BASEMENT BARGAIN. Cut-leaved Sumac (Rhus laciniata). The blazing Sumac sounds the first call to the woods in Autumn. Bring this plant into your own Garden, and with the added beauty of the finely cut leaves, resembling large ferny fronds. Can be cut back to induce bottom growth. Will thrive in hard, dry ground.

2 to 3 ft. Plants, \$0.50 each; 3 to 4 ft. \$0.65 each Postpaid

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Alpine Japanese Quince (Cydonia alpina superba).

This little Alpine variety fits in almost anywhere, and being of dwarf habit will not need moving. It will be one of the first plants in your Rock Garden to awaken from its Winter sleep, bursting out with fiery, orange-red flowers.

15 to 18 in. Plants, \$0.75 each; 2 for \$1.25 Postpaid

Leonard's Velvety Japanese Quince.

Deep, velvety-red flowers, lasting about twice as long as other Cydonias, and retaining their beauty until the last. The excellent character and dwarf, **spreading** habit gives it first place in the Rock Garden; due to the slowness of propagation it will always be scarce.

Strong Plants with 2 ft. Spread, \$2.50 each, Postpaid
We offer an outstanding collection of Japanese Flowering Quince. See Page 20.
Fragrant Viburnum and Laland Firethorn are also very desirable Rock Garden Shrubs. See pages 19 and 23.

Chamaedrys Germander (Teucrium chamaedrys).

Use this fine little thick-leaved, evergreen plant generously. The dense foliage resembles the more expensive and less hardy Boxwood, and with the added attraction of pretty spikes of rosy flowers. It craves frequent shearing, so that you simply must use it along the stone walk, or as a dwarf hedge.

2 Plants for \$0.50; 5 Plants for \$1.00 Postpaid

English Rock Broom (Genista tinctoria virgata).

It is literally covered with bright yellow flowers in June, a joy to behold, and at a time when you need bloom in the Rock Garden. Makes a beauty spot of that dry place where nothing else will grow.

Plants, from 3 in. pots, \$0.50 each; or 3 for \$1.25 Postpaid Plants, from 4 in. pots, \$0.75 each; or 3 for \$2.00 Postpaid



English Rock Broom is a joy to behold

BASEMENT BARGAIN. **Dwarf Tritoma** (Kniphofia rufa.) A dainty little Tritoma or Red-hot Poker Plant which starts blooming in June and continues to flower until frost. Introduce it among the earlier blooming plants in the Rock Garden and it will carry on the show. **Plants, \$0.35 each: 3 for \$1.00 Postpaid**

ROCK GARDEN SHRUBS

Box-leaved Japanese Holly (Ilex crenata bullata).

The newest of the new in Evergreen Hollies. Small, green-evergreen leaves, the roundness of which can be best described as little spheres that have been cut right through the center.

6 to 8 in. Plants out of $2\frac{1}{2}$ in. pots, \$0.75 each; 2 for \$1.25 Postpaid

Evergreen Bittersweet (Euonymus radicans vegetus).

The broad, shiny green leaves are very decorative, most of which stay on throughout the winter; bears brilliant Bittersweet Berries in the fall. This dwarf plant makes the Rock Garden a place of beauty in the fall as well as in the spring.

2 Year Plants, \$0.50 each; 3 for \$1.25 Postpaid

Silver Kerria (Kerria japonica argenteo-variegata).

The green stems of this shrub are colorful all winter; in the summer its dainty green leaves edged in white add a happy color note to any Rock Garden. Excellent for dressing down taller shrubs. Scarce.

One strong, bushy Plant for \$0.85; 2 for \$1.50 Postpaid

Scotch Rose (Rosa spinosissima altaica).

The hardy counterpart of the matchless Cherokee Rose of the South. Blooms about May 1st, small, single white flowers in profusion on short, spiny stems.

12 to 18 in. Plants, \$0.60 each; 2 for \$1.00 Postpaid

Rose Daphne (Daphne cneorum).

This dwarf evergreen shrub deserves its beautiful name. The rosy-lilac flowers make a lavish appearance in April and May, and off and on during the summer; and the spreading branches leave a glossy-green trail. Prefers a sunny location and neutral soil. Extra heavy plants, dug with a ball of earth.

6 to 9 in. at \$1.00; or 3 for \$2.75 Postpaid 9 to 12 in. at \$1.35; or 3 for \$3.50 Postpaid



Rose Daphne has the fragrance of the Jasmine.

BASEMENT BARGAIN Japanese Peonies. The rare beauty of the Japanese Peony can never be cheapened, only the price, and that we have done boldly. We offer several unnamed varieties; large, single-effect; petals of pretty shades of pink, and center petaloids of contrasting hues. Two—3 to 5 Eye Divisions for \$0.75 Postpaid

HARDY PERENNIALS

MALLOW MARVELS, Leonard's Mammoth Flowering.

These splendid hardy perennials are admirably suited to America's hot summers; their gorgeous blooms, as big as dinner plates, come in a wide range of colors. We have paid particular attention to selection, and recommend our strain very highly. Grow $4\frac{1}{2}$ to $5\frac{1}{2}$ ft. high, and will bloom the first season—from mid-July until September. Not bothered by insect pests, and will remain for years in one place if given a little fertilizer each Spring.

White with Pink Center Light Pink Dark Pink Pink with Red Veins Red Crimson

In ordering please state colors you wish.

3 Plants for \$1.00 Postpaid

One of Each Color (6 Plants) for \$1.75 Postpaid

DOUBLE PYRETHRUM, Painted Daisy.

The most outstanding perennial for cut flowers and garden display that has been introduced in recent years. The double variety is just as hardy as the single variety and will produce equally as many flowers to the plant. It is not uncommon to have these Double Pyrethrums keep in good condition 12 days after being cut.

Can only be propagated by division; like a sunny position, rich soil not too heavy; will stand the severest winter weather without protection. By cutting back the faded flowers the bloom will continue throughout the summer. Beautiful fern-like foliage.

Trojan, the earliest. Crimson-red, with an extra row of single petals.

Buckeye, also in bloom for Decoration Day. Carmine flowers, the darkest shade of all.

Miami Queen, first week in June. Large semi-double pink, very striking.

Florence Shadley, the last to bloom. Exquisite rose-pink.

Plants, Your Choice from the 4 Varieties, \$0.50 each; or 4 for \$1.75 Postpaid

JAPANESE IRIS, Iris Kaempferi.

If you should ask when is the best time to visit our Nurseries we would reply without hesitation "When the Japanese Iris are in Bloom." This wonderful Iris is the last to bloom, but cannot be excelled for its majesty of growth, size of flowers, richness of color-

ing, and beauty of design. The flowers differ from the German Iris (Flags) in being somewhat flat and often measuring 8 to 10 inches across. Prefer a light, rich soil.

Varieties. For many years we have been adding to our collection the newer varieties of superior merit and cutting out the inferior varieties, but there is so much difference of opinion as to the actual names (few persons can remember the Japanese names anyway) that we have simply labeled them as to color and habit. Accordingly we offer 30 different varieties embracing the complete range of colors: White suffused with yellow or blue, Light Blue, Violet, Rose-crimson, Mahogany-red, and Royal Purple, and the many in-between shades and variations. The dainty triplet of petaloids arising from the golden throat may be white or the same color as the petals, and crested; most varieties have six large petals, a few three.

4 Plants, no two alike, \$1.00 Postpaid 12 Plants, no two alike, \$2.50 Postpaid

(10% extra if labeled as to Color.)

RED-HOT POKER (Kniphofia hybrida).

A new Torchlily of orange shade; blooms profusely from midsummer until cut down by frost (mulch for winter protection). Brighten the house during those first unpleasant fall days with a vase of Torchlilies.

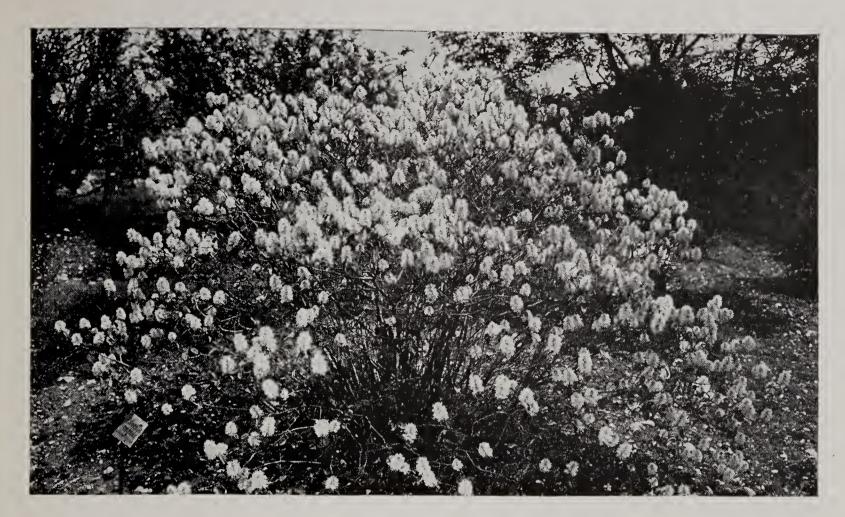
3 Plants for \$0.75 Postpaid



The bloom of the Winterflowering Witch-hazel See opposite page.

BASEMENT BARGAIN. **Pink Double-flowering Almond.** One of the old Garden favorites which will always be planted. If you have had trouble in growing this excellent shrub you will find our **own root** plants are foolproof; you need never worry about suckers. Plant in a sunny position in the Garden or Shrub Border.

12 to 18 in. Plants, \$0.50 each; or 2 for \$0.90 Postpaid



Springscent is charmingly different in habit.

SPRINGSCENT

(Fothergilla)

Fothergillas are not as well known as they deserve to be. They are related to the Witch-hazels and resemble them closely in foliage; the flowers, however, are very different in appearance. Devoid of petals, their charm lies in the numerous clustered stamens, tipped with yellow anthers which appear at the ends of the naked branchlets. The whole inflorescence is fragrant and very conspicious, resembling a Bottlebrush and quite different from that of any other hardy northern shrub. In autumn the leaves assume shades of orange, crimson and yellow. The Fothergillas thrive best in a mixture of peat and sandy loam.

Springscent (Fothergilla major).

This species has pink stamens and is distinguished by its dense pyramidal habit, larger leaves and showier fruits.

12 to 18 in. Plants, \$1.75 each; 3 for \$4.00 Postpaid

Springscent (Fothergilla monticola).

This species has white stamens and is looser, more spreading and not as tall, though equally vigorous. (See illustration).

8 to 12 in. Plants, \$1.25 each; 3 for \$3.00 Postpaid

WINTER-FLOWERING WITCH-HAZEL (Hamamelis mollis).

See illustration opposite page. This Chinese Witch-hazel blooms early in March (sometimes in late January when the winter is open). The flowers of no other Witch-hazel are so large and beautiful—golden yellow except at the base which is reddish. The leaves are strongly veined and densely clothed with soft wooly hairs on the underside; they turn to brilliant shades of yellow and orange before falling in November. Thrives in city atmosphere. We are fortunate in having a limited but choice lot of this rare plant.

Strong 3 to 4 year Plants, \$4.85 each Postpaid

BASEMENT BARGAIN. Chinese Almond (Prunus triloba plena). In late April its slender stems are packed with double, pink flowers which look like small roses. This beautiful shrub-like Plum is much cultivated in the Gardens of Pekin, where it is known as Yu-ye-me.



"Queen of the May", the regal plume of Spring

FLOWERING CRABS

The rare beauty of these two Flowering Crabs is bound to enthrall even the most sophisticated. They are at home in the most modest Cottage Garden as well as in the most ornate Formal Garden.

"Queen of the May" (Malus theifera) New.

The habit of this Chinese Crab is decidedly picturesque, and in beauty of blossom is not excelled (the Arnold Arboretum states that it is the finest of the Flowering Crabs.) In late April and early May it creates a stunning display of fragrant rose-pink flowers which change to white on opening. Plant it in a corner of the Garden, in groups in the Border, or use it as an accent on the lawn.

2 to 3 ft. Plants, \$1.00 each, Postpaid

Eley Flowering Crab (Malus purpurea eleyi)

A new Hybrid, having been raised by Mr. Charles Eley at his English home (Bergholt, Suffolk). Clusters of bright red, dish-shaped flowers—larger and prettier than the well known Malus floribunda—followed by very conspicuous fruit of a rich reddish color. Leaves are bright red early in the season.

4 ft. Trees, \$1.00 each, Postpaid

BUTTON BUSH

(Cephalanthus occidentalis.)

of Spring

White spherical blossoms with pinkish pistils (reminding one of the seed balls of the Sycamore tree) appear in July and August. The rich fragrance of these blooms makes this a most desirable shrub. It does best in moist ground; hardy from Canada to the Gulf.

Two—18 to 24 in. Plants for \$1.00 Postpaid 2 to 3 ft. Plants, \$0.75 each; 3 to 4 ft. \$1.00 each, Postpaid

BUSH HONEYSUCKLE

(Lonicera)

Fragrantissima.

The first of the Honeysuckles to bloom (early April, before the new leaves appear). The creamy-white flowers have the delicious Honeysuckle smell. Dark green, leathery leaves, almost evergreen. Makes an excellent untrimmed hedge; grows 6 to 8 ft. high.

Mundeniensis.

A prolific bearer of small yellow and white flowers, followed by quantities of red berries in July and August. The narrow, dark glossy leaves remain well into November. Thrives in poor soil and withstands drought. A very desirable shrub. Grows 6 ft. high.

Freshly dug, strong bushy plants (either kind)

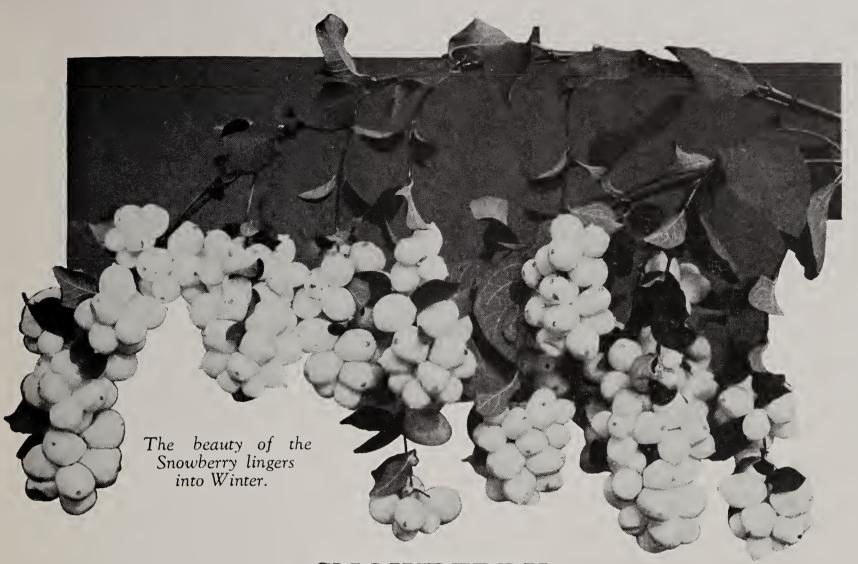
18 to 24 in., Two for \$1.00 Postpaid 3 to 4 ft., Two for \$1.40 Postpaid



The fragrance of the Honeysuckle holds supreme in the moonlight

BASEMENT BARGAIN. **Beach Plum** (Prunus maritima). A low shrub with crooked, picturesque branches; the sweet, keenly fragrant flowers are followed by purple or yellow fruit which makes good preserves.

Two—18 to 24 in. Plants for \$1.00 Postpaid



SNOWBERRY

(Symphoricarpos racemosus).

Who among us does not remember these pearly white berries on the shrubs at Grand-mother's Spring House—or it may have been somewhere else in the dooryard, but it was always just as beautiful as a bouquet of flowers, and so different and suitable to the season. A Florist Shop in Toronto sells many Snowberry Bouquets every Autumn.

Our Plants are raised from an improved type. Two Strong 2 to 3 ft. Bushes that are freshly dug for \$1.00 Postpaid.

FIVE-LEAVED ANGELICA

(Acanthopanax pentaphyllum).

This shrub is a good Mixer—will fit in anywhere, foundation planting, in sun or shade, or as a natural hedge. The beautiful shiny-green leaves on arching branches are the big asset of this valuable shrub, holding on until a late heavy frost. Thrives in the smoke laden atmosphere of our big cities. Take our word and plant it in your most difficult location.

Two 2 to 3 ft. Plants for \$1.00 Postpaid Two 3 to 4 ft. Plants for \$1.50 Postpaid

CORAL DOGWOOD

(Cornus alba siberica).

The bright coral-red branches bring cheer to the winter landscape. Strong 3 to 4 ft. Plants.

One for \$0.65, or Three for \$1.65 Postpaid



The foamy flowers of the Coral Dogwood are followed by porcelain-like berries.

BASEMENT BARGAIN. Lace Shrub (Stephanandra flexuosa). For those who live in Chicago or Boston, or south of these cities, we recommend this decorative shrub for facing down tall shrubs or evergreens in your foundation planting. Its leaves have the delicacy of lace; does not grow over 3½ft., and likes sun half the day (or all day).

2 to 3 ft. bushy Plants, Two for \$1.00 Postpaid.

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GARLAND SPIREA

Garland Spirea (Spiraea arguta). This is one of the most beautiful of all Spring flowering shrubs. It is a neat growing shrub with graceful arching shoots, clad for most of their length with flattened clusters of pure white blossoms in April; one of the first of the Spirea to bloom. It grows about 5 feet high. A group of these Spireas above a groundwork of For-get-me-nots makes a strikingly beautiful picture. It flowers unfailingly year after year when other Spireas fall victims to late frosts or unseasonable springs. Stephen F. Hamblin, one of the best authorities on Plant Materials, states;—"The Garland Spirea gives the most delicate of all foliage texture of narrow-leaved shrubs, except Tamarix."

2 to 3 ft. Bushy Plants, \$0.45 each; 3 for \$1.25 F. O. B. Piqua

4 to 5 ft. Plants, Extra Heavy, \$0.75 each; 3 for \$2.00 F. O. B. Piqua



Garland Spirea



This photograph of the Variegated Weigela was taken late in November, and shows the persistant bloom and richly colored leaves.

IMPROVED VARIEGATED WEIGELA

Weigela argenteomarginata variegata.

Although we have indicated a botanical name, we assure you that this plant has not been disseminated before this time. Its character is entirely unlike the old Weigela.

The yellowish-white border on the margin of the narrow, deepgreen leaf makes this Weigela one of the most strikingly beautiful of all shrubs.

Two-toned pink blossoms completely cover the plant in late May, and then scattering blooms are produced throughout the summer and fall, being similar to Philadelphus virginal in this respect. Stem is reddish.

Buy now on our recommendation and you will want more next season. Arboretums will need this plant to complete their Weigela collections.

2 to 3 ft. Plants, \$0.60 each; Three for \$1.50

3 to 4 ft. Plants, \$0.85 each; Three for \$2.25

F. O. B. Piqua

GARDENS OF FRAGRANCE OFFER

What is more alluring in the garden than Fragrance? Everyone is alert to it, and for those who enjoy the sweet scent of the Garden we have made up this selection—in the order of their bloom.

One—Vernal Witch-hazel	(Hamamelis vernalis	s)) .
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Winter flowering; on mild January days the first flowers appear, yellow petals, reddish towards the base. This rare shrub blooms over a period of three months and emits the delightful spicy odor of almonds. 2 to 3 ft. Plant.....\$1.35

One—Sweetshrub (Calycanthus floridus).

One—French Hybrid Mockorange (Philadelphus lemoinei erectus).

Single creamy-white flowers; the most fragrant of all Mockoranges. A neat, upright grower with dainty twigs and narrow leaves. Scarce.

Strong 3 ft. Plant......

One—Sweetspire (Itea virginica).

An old-fashioned, summer-flowering shrub with fragrant, white, star-like flowers; and in Autumn the foliage turns brilliant red. Grows about 4 ft. 18 to 24 in. Plant.

One—Summersweet (Clethra alnifolia).

Delightful white spikes of spicy fragrance; blooms throughout the summer. Grows to 4 or 5 ft., and likes damp, semi-shade. 18 to 24 in. Plant.....

Five Plants, a \$4.00 value for \$2.95 Postpaid

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TUBEROSES, Dwarf Excelsior Pearl.

Finest strain, having beautiful pure white, double flowers of delicious fragrance. Plant in full sun the middle of May—6 in. apart and 2 in. deep in fertile soil. The rich exotic perfume makes this plant or bulb indispensable in every garden (not hardy—treat like dahlia bulbs.)

Bulbs, 4 to 6 in. (circumference)
18 for \$1.00, or 100 for \$3.75 Postpaid
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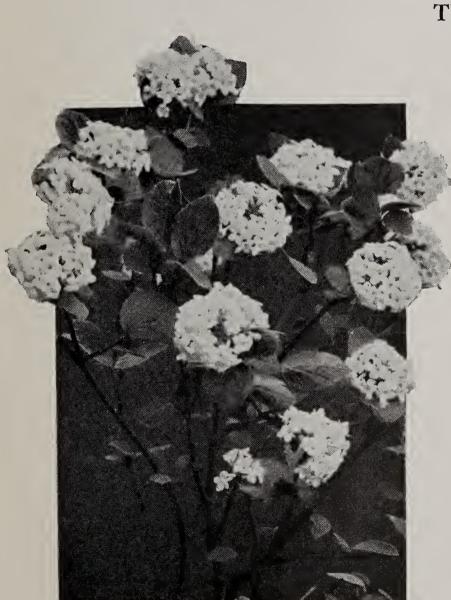
FRAGRANT VIBURNUM

(Viburnum carlesi)

If we were only allowed to have one shrub we would cast our vote for this deliciously scented Viburnum. Plant it near your favorite garden walk; plant it near the entrance to your house; give it sunlight and not too windy an exposure, and you will thank us the rest of your life, for it is indeed a Garden Treasure. Grows 3 to 4 ft. high.

12 to 18 in. Plants with earth, \$1.25 ea. 18 to 24 in. Plants with earth, \$1.30 ea.

F. O. B. Piqua



The orange-pink buds of the Viburnum carlesi open into lovely pink flowers changing to white



Strong 3 to 4 ft. Plants, \$1.15 each.

Maule's Japan Quince (C. jap. maulei).

A dwarf, spreading bush which bears orange-colored flowers of cup-shape in abundance from the ground up. 5-Year Plants, 2 ft. high, 2 ft. broad, \$1.00 each.

Apple-Blossom Pink Japan Quince.

One of the loveliest varieties of this hardy shrub, bringing a new color that so admirably blends with the modern landscape color-scheme, and which does not admit the old red Japonica or "Burning Bush".

Strong 3 ft. Plants, \$1.95 each.

White-Flowering Quince (C. jap. nivalis).

You will hardly believe your own eyes when you see the pure-white flowers of this rare Quince, without a trace of its ancestral coloring. And it has other good habits, such as few thorns and vigorous growth.

2 to $2\frac{1}{2}$ ft. Plants, \$1.95 each.

Crimson-Flowering Quince (C. jap. sanguinea).

Deep red flowers, but so different from the old red or scarlet Japonica, and for good measure it blooms both spring and fall. Spreading and nearly evergreen.

 $1\frac{1}{2}$ to 2 ft. Plants, \$1.00 each. 2 to 3 ft. Plants, \$1.35 each.

Blood-Red Flowering Quince (C. jap. rubra grandiflora).

Deep blood-red, the largest flowers of all. Very scarce due to slowness of propagation and great demand.

2 to 3 ft. Plants, \$1.75 each. 3 to 4 ft. Plants, \$2.25 each.

See Page 12 for Rock Garden varieties.

All of the above Cydonia Prices are F. O. B. Piqua.



LONG-CLUSTER GOLDENCHAIN

(Laburnum vossi)

No finer plant exists than this excellent hardy Laburnum, holding in store for you the thrill of thrills. Just as the lilacs are finishing it lets down its gorgeous yellow racemes—out of all proportion to the size of the plant. Even the sophisticated nurseryman will "walk a mile" to see one in bloom.

Commencing as a little tree studded with heavy buds Long-cluster Goldenchain soon branches out into a vase-shaped tree and ordinarily will not reach a height of over 12 ft. Plant it in a somewhat protected place, as an accent shrub or specimen like the Magnolia. **Do not prune**.

This variety is hardier, the flowers larger, than the common Laburnum vulgare. Because of being scarce and high-priced very few plants have been planted in this country,—but it is an old favorite in Europe. We hope to be able to fill the demand this Spring and are indeed fortunate in being able to offer some of the larger sizes.

2 to 3 ft. Plants, \$1.85 each; 3 for \$5.00 3 to 4 ft. Plants, \$2.85 each; 3 for \$7.75 4 to 5 ft. Plants, \$3.85 each; 3 for \$10.50 Branched specimens, 6 to 8 ft., \$6.85 each F. O. B. Piqua

DOUBLE-FLOWERING PURPLE-LEAVED PLUM

(Prunus cerasifera blieriana)

The cloud of pink flowers blending into the tender young coppery foliage is a welcome sight on an April day. The flowers are large and double, amost hiding the slender branches. The purple foliage retains its color until late in the summer, making this an excellent accent or background shrub.

Grows 10 to 15 ft. high in this climate; on the Pacific Coast it is quite the "rage" as a sidewalk tree, and deserves more popularity in the East. The flowers are splendid for cutting.

3 to 4 ft. Trees, \$1.25 ea.; 3 for \$3.25 4 to 6 ft. Trees, \$1.50 ea.; 3 for \$4.00 F. O. B. Piqua

The salmon-pink flowers of the Double-flowering Plum appear as little rosettes.





Albatre is dwarf.

FRENCH MOCKORANGES

(Philadelphus)

Albatre. A spendid shrub for foundation plantings as it grows only about 4 ft. high. The slender branches bend to the ground under the weight of its deliciously scented white flowers (double, sometimes semi-double).

Norma. An erect bush of rigid habit, growing to be 8 ft. tall, and is superior for its thick foliage. The long branches are studded their full length with small clusters of extra-large, single white flowers.

Virginal. One of Lemoine's newest and finest Mockoranges. A tall, narrow grower, up to 8 ft. producing in June luxurious clusters of large, semi-double flowers of sweetest fragrance (individual flowers will cover a silver dollar). Occassionally through the Summer and Autumn some of these charming clusters will burst out again.

2 to 3 ft. Plants of any of the above, \$0.50 each, or Three for \$1.35 3 to 4 ft. Plants, \$0.65 each F. O. B. Piqua

TAMARIX

Tamarix is rarely seen, for no more reason than its banner has not been taken up and paraded before the American Gardening Public. Treat yourself to the best, for good plants are downright cheap. The graceful fountain-like feathery growth of the heath-like foliage is ornamental in itself, but when the terminal growths are covered by the soft-pink blooms the plant is fit for the Gods.

The summer flowering Tamarix can be cut to the ground each Spring, thus inducing new vigorous clean growth. You may select from the two following varieties:

African Tamarix (T. africana) Early flowering French Tamarix (T. gallica) Summer flowering

Two—3 to 4 ft. Plants for \$1.00 Postpaid
Three—3 to 4 ft. Plants for \$1.40 Postpaid
(Or if you will pay the transportation we will furnish 4 to 5 ft. Plants.)

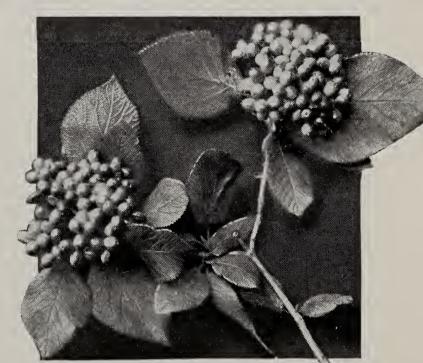
WAYFARING TREE

(Viburnum lantana).

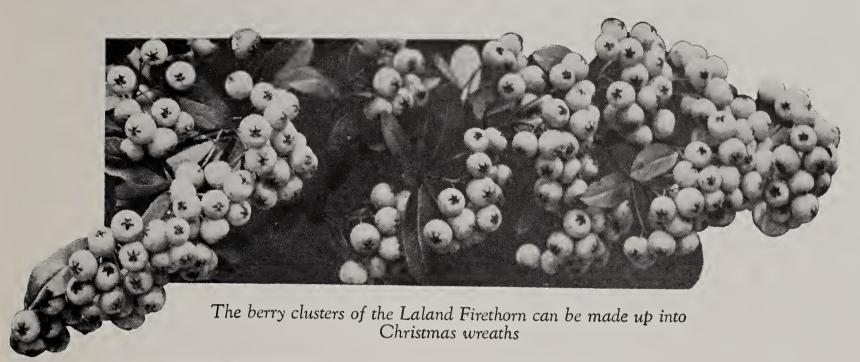
William Falconer, greatest Plantsman of his day, considered this one of our best shrubs. Its soft, heavy foliage is a dark, grayish green, reaching to the ground; the clusters of white flowers in early May are followed by red fruit turning black as it ripens, and which the birds strip until they are gone (about Sept. 1st). Stands dry hot weather.

2 to 3 ft. Plants, \$0.55 each, Two for \$1.00

3 to 4 ft. extra heavy Plants, \$0.75 each.
Two for \$1.35
F. O. B. Piqua



The birds know when the berries of the Wayfaring Tree are ripe



LALAND FIRETHORN (Pyracantha coccinea lalandi).

This beautiful plant is a relation of both the Cotoneasters and Hawthorns, but as it is evergreen it has many advantages over the deciduous Hawthorn. The clusters of creamywhite flowers are only excelled by the beauty of the brilliant red berries that appear in early Autumn, and lasting for several months. Ideal with evergreens, or makes itself at home in the Rock Garden.

8 to 10 in. Plants, out of 4 in. pots, \$0.85 each, F. O. B. Piqua 15 to 18 in. Plants, out of 5 in. pots, \$1.25 each, F. O. B. Piqua

Specimen Plants, 2 to 3 ft., upright, heavy berried type, \$2.85 each Semispherical Plants, 30 in. diameter by 2 ft. high, \$3.85 each These last two are heavy Balled and Burlapped Plants.

Sweet Bay or Laurel Magnolia (Magnolia glauca).

The cup-shaped flowers are very fragrant, opening a rich cream color and gradually acquiring a pale apricot tint. Unlike the Chinese Magnolias this excellent small shrubby tree (6 to 8 ft. in North, taller in South) blooms in the month of July. The rich glossy-green, almost evergreen foliage is glaucous beneath, giving the whole a silvery sheen. The beauty of the Laurel Magnolia continues throughout the year: in Autumn its fruit opens, exposing seeds clad in red jackets—ready for winter, and then until Spring again

we see its cheerful apple-green stems. Thrives in any damp, sunny location. Ohio grown plants, dug with a ball of earth.

Bushy 2 to 3 ft. Plants, \$1.95 each; 3 to 4 ft. \$2.95 each, F. O. B. Piqua

American Cranberrybush

(Viburnum americanum).

A prominent shrub because of its translucent, orange-red fruit, remaining from July until Spring (the birds do not eat the berries, though not poisonous). It makes a bush 8 ft. high, and should be used as a tall, natural growing hedge or as a background shrub. Bushy plants, some still holding their berries.

15 to 18 in. Plants, \$0.40 each; 3 for \$1.00

2 to 3 ft. Plants, \$0.65 each; 3 for \$1.50 F. O. B. Piqua



The berries glitter through the winter like scarlet glass

RARE TREES IN SMALL SIZES

Silver Linden (Tilia tomentosa).

Except for large and expensive trees the Silver Linden has been off the market for ten years; we have a very limited number for sale. Develops a broad, compact, round-type head; leaves dark green above, and snow-white beneath.

3 to 4 ft. Trees, \$1.65 each, F. O. B. Piqua 4 to 6 ft. Trees, \$2.65 each, F. O. B. Piqua

Pink-flowering Horsechestnut.

To this tree of many fine traits we have added by grafting (5 to 6 ft. above the ground on straight stems) a new color from nature's palette; the pyramidal flower clusters range from a soft flesh-pink to scarlet. Very scarce.

6 to 8 ft. Trees, \$6.85 each, F. O. B. Piqua

Japanese Tree Lilac (Syringa japonica).

A Lilac which can be set out safely in the Fall or Spring. The showy fleecy-white flowers appear about the end of June, in large, erect, symmetrical clusters. The large, dark green leaves grow densely, making this a handsome small tree, possessing ornamental qualities of the highest order.

2 to 3 ft. Plants, \$1.00 each, F. O. B. Piqua 4 to 5 ft. Plants, \$1.85 each, F. O. B. Piqua



French Hybrid Lilacs (on own roots), Two-seasons Lilacs, and the Old Fashioned Lilacs described in our Fall Booklet can be set out in the Spring if ordered before April 10th.

Japanese Double-flowering Cherry

Entrancingly beautiful, the double rose-colored Japanese Cherry will ever have an appeal to American Gardeners. Mixed shades, 5 to 7 ft. hardy Ohio grown, transplanted trees. Price, \$2.75 each; in lots of 3 or more, \$2.50 each, F. O. B. Piqua.

For truck shipment in Ohio and Indiana we offer a fine collection of hardy Ohio grown Weeping Japanese Flowering Cherry in specimen blooming sizes.

"The Waste of Monotony"

"A grievous source of wasted effort in Gardens is monotony arising from everybody growing what his neighbor grows. Thus it comes that the poor Nurseryman who attempts to grow new or rare trees or shrubs very often finds them left on his hands There are not only many beautiful species of plants which are excluded from the ordinary Nurseries The further afield they look probably the better in the end it will be for them, if they would escape from the trammels of monotony." William Robinson, the Dean of English flower lovers, wrote this 30 years ago in his much read "English Flower Garden".

Continue to buy our new offerings and we shall present more and more new "Worthwhile Flowering Shrubs". And remember that most of these new plants are no more difficult to grow than Spiraea van houttei (Bridal Wreath).

Illustrations of Styrax obassia and Hamamelis mollis by courtesy of Arnold Arboretum.